## **CHAPTER NO. 37**

## SENATE BILL NO. 1728

By Curtis S. Person, Jr.

Substituted for: House Bill No. 895

## By Kernell

AN ACT to amend Chapter 161 of the Private Acts of 1973; as amended by Chapter 362 of the Private Acts of 1974; Chapter 123 of the Private Acts of 1977 and Chapter 109 of the Private Acts of 1983; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the acceptance of process served upon the Divorce Referee of Shelby County.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 161 of the Private Acts of 1973; as amended by Chapter 362 of the Private Acts of 1974; Chapter 123 of the Private Acts of 1977 and Chapter 109 of the Private Acts of 1983; and any other acts amendatory thereto is further amended by adding the following language to the end of SECTION 3:

The Divorce Referee shall have the authority to designate other individuals to accept service of process in the Divorce Referee's name.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Shelby County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of Shelby County legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.

PASSED: April 25, 2005

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JOHN S. WILDER SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

APPROVED this 4th day of May 2005

PHIL BREDESEN, GOVERNOR